

and be brave and stand up here and say we will not go home, we will work. I thank the Speaker and I thank our leadership for doing what was appropriate to protect the lives of hundreds of employees who work in this building each and every day.

Mr. Speaker, we will not succumb to the threat of anthrax. It struck my district. It struck our capital, but we will not relent.

Mr. bin Laden and other associates of your terror reign, your days are numbered. Your days are about over. We will not succumb to the fear because America remains united against the threat of terrorism, and we are united as people of this country.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Members are reminded to address their comments to the Chair.

REVERSE ROBIN HOOD IS CONTINUING BY CONGRESS

(Mr. DEFAZIO asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. DEFAZIO. Mr. Speaker, after the attacks, we rushed through \$16 billion for the airlines, and we were told there was not time to take care of the workers. Their time would come soon. We were promised maybe the next week or the week after we would help the workers. Well, soon is not here yet.

Today, a \$100 billion so-called economic stimulus package, and guess what, \$25 billion up front to repeal a loophole closing tax provision, \$25 billion for the largest corporations in America in a retroactive tax cut to 1986, paid for by FICA taxes, paid for by the working people of this country, coming out of the Social Security Trust Fund going straight to corporate coffers.

Mr. Speaker, guess what, they do not have to give a penny to the workers or provide assistance to the millions of Americans that have lost their jobs. This is in the form of a so-called economic stimulus. Reverse Robin Hood is continuing here on the floor under the guise of helping the American people and the economy.

This has to stop. Let us give workers help with their health insurance. Let us stop dumping money into the corporate coffers.

CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF NAN HERRING BURNSIDE

(Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN. Mr. Speaker, today I celebrate the life of Nan Herring Burnside, a constituent and fellow educator whose death on October 14

represented a great loss to all who knew her, particularly the many students whom she has helped and their grateful parents.

Upon graduation from the University of Miami, Nan became a teacher in the Miami area, and she remained there for the next 35 years. She was a co-principal at Bay Point School, an alternative educational and rehabilitation center focusing on behavior management for troubled youths.

She was a devoted Christian, and an active member of the First Baptist Church of Perrine. She shared her faith openly with those around here, and was an inspiration to family, friends and students. Like her mother, Amy Steinman, an appropriations analyst for the House majority whip's office, shares her mother's generosity and commitment.

I want to express my deepest condolences to Amy and to her brother John, and to all of the staff and students at Bay Point School.

Nan personified all that was good and noble in this world. She will be sorely missed, especially by her family, the Bay Point community, and all who will continue to work hard to ensure that her legacy lives on in changing the lives of our troubled youth.

CONGRESS BETTER KEEP AN EYE ON THE DRAGON

(Mr. TRAFICANT asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. TRAFICANT. Mr. Speaker, while everyone is choosing their words very carefully, news reports continue to link the Taliban government with China.

On Tuesday, September 11, we all know that the Taliban attacked America with one hand; on the same day with the other hand, the Taliban signed a memorandum of understanding cooperative agreement with China. Something stinks here.

Bin Laden is in the headlines, but we better be very careful that China is not popping up in the details and fine print. To boot, we are financing the biggest war machine in world history with U.S. dollars in China. Beam me up.

Mr. Speaker, I yield back the fact that Congress better keep an eye on the dragon, and the dragon can reach New York and Washington a lot quicker and easier than the Taliban did.

FEAR IS USELESS, WHAT IS NEEDED IS TRUST

(Mr. PENCE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. PENCE. Mr. Speaker, in these uncertain days, it is important that we cling to the permanent things and the ancient truths. Among them is the

principle that fear is useless, what is needed is trust.

As we prepare in the next hour to vote on H.R. 2975, the PATRIOT Act of 2001, I rise as a proud member of the Committee on the Judiciary to say this legislation is about trust. It is not about fear. It is about trusting the law enforcement authorities of this country with the powers, some temporary, some permanent, to stop those who would wage war on our citizens before they level the attacks.

We do not bring this legislation to this floor in fear. We bring this legislation to the floor in trust. We trust in God. We trust in the governing authorities that our God has placed for such a time as this. I urge all of my colleagues to join me in strongly supporting the PATRIOT Act of 2001.

AMERICANS NEED TO KEEP TER- RORIST THREATS IN PERSPEC- TIVE

(Mr. EHLERS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. EHLERS. Mr. Speaker, I want to make a few comments about the terrorist activity going on and recognize it for what it is.

Terrorists are nongovernmental groups who are trying to disrupt legitimate governments. They do that, they attempt to do that disruption by terrifying people. Therefore, they are called terrorists. They do this by trying to instill fear, to cause substantial expense to legitimate governments, to disrupt daily life and achieve their goals in that way when they cannot achieve them through legitimate power.

We have to keep that in mind in our response. It is very important that we do not become fearful, that we do not become terrified, and that we go about our normal lives.

Mr. Speaker, let me speak for a moment as the scientist that I am. Let us keep things in perspective. I am very concerned that our Nation seems to be fearful, extremely fearful of anthrax. Recognize the risk and put it in perspective. Every day of the week approximately 120 Americans get killed in car accidents, and many more injured; yet very few have been affected by terrorist activities. I urge Americans to fly. It is safe. I ask Americans not to ignore the threat of anthrax, but simply be careful.

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ECONOMIC STIMULATION FOR SPECIAL INTERESTS

(Mr. GREEN of Texas asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. GREEN of Texas. Mr. Speaker after September 11, the American people came together, Democrats, Republicans, rural, urban, East, West, North,